DAVID AKISON. [To accompany bill H. R. No. 455.]

May 26, 1842.

Mr. DOAN, from the Committee on Invalid Pensions, submitted the following

REPORT:

The Committee on Invalid Pensions, to which was referred the petition of David Akison, report:

That it appears from the papers in this case that the petitioner enlisted in the service of the United States in March, 1818, in Lancaster, Pennsylvania; that he was transferred to a rifle regiment; and in 1821 was discharged at Belfontaine, in the State of Missouri, (as petitioner says,) on account of inability to do military duty; which disability was caused by wounds and injuries received while in the service of the United States; and, while engaged in raising a house, a piece of timber fell on petitioner and dislocated his right wrist, fractured the bones of his right foot, and caused an abdominal rupture. This happened at Council Bluffs in 1819 or 1820. Petitioner says he received a pension certificate from Lieutenant Wilson, which he has lost or mislaid.

Thomas Elkinson says, upon oath, that he enlisted in the service of the United States at the same place with petitioner, and served as a corporal in the army at the same time with said Akison; that he knows him to have been wounded at Council Bluffs while in the service of the United

States and in the line of his duty.

John O. Hancock and Jas. L. Bracket, certified to be reputable physicians and surgeons, certify that they are satisfied that petitioner was wounded and injured, as above stated, while in the service of the United States, by reason of which wounds he is not only incapable for military duty, but, in their opinion, totally disabled from obtaining a subsistence from manual labor.

The committee are of the opinion that the petitioner sustains his claim to a pension, and report a bill for his relief, from and after the 20th

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